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TO:

Secretary of State

Attention: Mr. E. Tomlin Bailey Director, Office of Security

FROM:

Deputy Director, Plans

SUBJECT: SKORZEMY, Otto

- 1. Reference is made to your SY memorandum VO/424, dated 14 August 1956, subject as above, whose name you desired checked against the files of this office. The files contain considerable information concerning the subject of your request.
- 2. Enclosed are two memorands which have been written by this office in the past regarding Otto SKORZEMY. The first was sent to the Department of State on 6 February 1951. The second was sent on 26 December 1955 to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in answer to their request for information on SKORZENY.
- 3. The files of this office have been checked for information received subsequent to the December 1955 memorandum. In most cases the references refer to activities of SKORZENY which were touched upon in the previous memoranda.
- 4. However, one additional piece of information may be noted. report dated 12 April 1956 from a fairly reliable official source indicates that Otto SEORZEM arrived in Tangier, Morocco, on 31 March 1956 and Samuted on 2 April 1956. SEORZEM was cited as being in contact with Victorial LER, a Swiss national, who was being detained for trial by Moroccan Franch Zone authorities on charges of espionage. It was not indicated on whose benalf the alloged espionage was conducted. The Tangler police considered SKORZENY a highly suspicious individual whose movements in Morocco were to be closely observed.

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